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SUBJ: GENERAL REACTION TO OCTOBER 11 SPEECHES

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1. REACTION TO TORRIJOS AND LAKAS SPEECHES OCTOBER 11 HAS BEEN FAVORABLE, BUT LOW-KEY AS WERE THE SPEECHES THEMSELVES. ESPECIALLY APPRECIATED WAS THE CANDOR WITH WHICH BOTH LEADERS SPOKE. BUSINESSMEN WERE PLEASED BY TORRIJOS' RECOGNITION THAT LABOR OCCASIONALLY WAS "CARRIED AWAY BY FALSE LABOR UNION GAINS" WHICH NEITHER THE ENTERPRISE, MANAGER NOR EMPLOYEES COULD LIVE WITH. WE HAVE LEARNED THAT ONE OF TASKS OF EMERGENCY ECONOMIC COMMISSION WILL BE TO EXAMINE LABOR CODE WITH INTENT OF REVISING IT (LABOR CODEMUZVISION HAD BEEN PROMISED TO CONSTRUCTION FIRMS IN PAST). THIS NEWS WILL UNDOUBTEDLY PLEASE ENTREPRENEURS AS DID LAKAS' SPECIFIC FAVORABLE REFERENCE TO "THOSE WHO WITH THEIR INITIATIVE AND MONEY CREATE ENTERPRISES THAT PROMOTE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT."

2. EDITORIALS IN GOP-GUIDED NEWSPAPERS, IN COMMENTING ON THE MESSAGES, HAE PRAISED THE CALL FOR ALL PANAMANIANIS TO PRODUCE MORE BY WORKING HARDER, AND ACCEPTING DISCIPLINE. EDITORIALS THEME HAS BEEN THAT REVOLUTION HAS MATURED AND HAS ENTERED NEW PHASE. THIS DEMANDS MORE "RESPONSIBLE" POPULAR CONSCIOUSNESS AND ACTION.

3. COMMENT. ABSENCE OF EMOTION ROUSING DEMAGOGUERY, SERIOUS TONE AND INDICATIONS IN TORRIJOS' AND LAKAS' WORDS THAT THEY MAY BE PREPARED TO TILT BALANCE TOWARD PRODUCTION WHILE PERHAPS REDUCING PACE OF SOCIAL CHANGE,ALL APPEAR TO HAVE BEEN WELL-RECEIVED.

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